

ERIC KEPO'O

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH NOVEMBER 2008

For the past several years, the University of Utah has sponsored a Burn Camp at Camp Tracy in Millcreek Canyon. The children from the burn unit come to camp for three days to experience boating, horseback riding, and crafts. The purpose of the camp is to give the kids a break from their devastating injuries and get out for a few days of fun.

The Fire Departments in the Salt Lake Valley take turns cooking for the camp. Firefighter Erik Kepo'o has been involved for the past three years as West Valley City's representative at the camp. He has organized the other Firefighters and their families to cook for and serve the kids. He takes it upon himself to select the menu, shop for all of the food, and to supervise the cooking and serving. He does all of this on a voluntary basis and isn't compensated. All of the kids are excited to have "E.K." as their cook and look forward to him returning each year.

Eric also goes to the Muscular Dystrophy Telethon each year and answers phones for Jerry's Kids. He also plays a major role in the "Guns and Hoses" Fire Department vs. Police Department Hockey fundraiser.

Eric has excelled in serving the community and representing West Valley City. He is proud to be a West Valley City Fireman and does everything he can to promote the Department and the City. He has developed his own public education program for groups that tour the Fire stations.

Because of his selflessness and commitment to the City, I nominate Eric for Employee of the Month.

Submitted by: Dean Williams
Fire Department